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Senate Bills 298-303 (S-1)

Topic: Social Security Numbers on Records
Sponsor: Senators Jansen (2 bills), Van Woerkom, Stamas, Pappageorge, and Birkholz
Co-sponsors: Senators Gilbert, Brown, Hardiman, Jelinek, and Garcia
Committee: Senate Local, Urban and State Affairs

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Date of Summary: May 2, 2007

The bill amends various statutes to clarify that all or at least 5 digits of a social security number appearing in or on certain documents must be obscured or removed unless state or federal law, rule, regulation, or court order or rule requires the number. The substitute provides the register of deeds with the option of obscuring or removing the first 5 digits or requiring that the filer obscure or remove them. The substitute also permits an individual whose social number is contained in such document to request that the first 5 digits be obscured or removed from copies made of those documents.

The statutes amended are:

- Public Act 103 of 1937
- Public Act 20 of 1867
- Public Act 5 of 1873
- Public Act 123 of 1915
- Public Act 54 of 1875

All bills relate to recording of documents by county registers of deeds.